

Senate Resolution 85

By: Senators Butterworth of the 50th, Pearson of the 51st, Hawkins of the 49th, Murphy of the 27th, Shafer of the 48th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Northeast Georgia Mountains Travel Association on
2 Tourism Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the small businesses and hospitality organizations in the Northeast Georgia
4 Mountains help keep the tourism economy vibrant and make Georgia a memorable vacation
5 destination; and

6 WHEREAS, many of these businesses thrive on tourism, which is the economic life blood
7 and key economic development strategy for many rural counties throughout Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, while tourism currently ranks as Georgia's second largest industry, it is
9 important that legislative efforts continue to focus on expanding tourism so that new
10 businesses, new jobs, and more economic growth will come to Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, the Northeast Georgia Mountains Travel Association is dedicated to working
12 to further develop the tourism industry in Georgia through their personification of the
13 Northeast Georgia region's unique products, attractions, and agriculture; and

14 WHEREAS, locally produced honey, jams, barbeque sauces, vinegars, and wine attract
15 tourists to the small businesses of the Northeast Georgia Mountains Travel Association; and

16 WHEREAS, unmatched mementos such as Georgia Moonshine Jelly and 'Lil Sprout
17 Cabbage Patch Kids are perfect examples of the unique items the businesses of the Northeast
18 Georgia Mountains Travel Association produce to make Georgia a memorable place to visit;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, the contributions and efforts of the Northeast Georgia Mountains Travel
21 Association to increase travel to and throughout the state and stimulate economic growth are
22 applauded.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 recognize the great work of the businesses of the Northeast Georgia Mountains Travel
25 Association on Tourism Day at the State Capitol and commend their efforts to attract visitors
26 to the State of Georgia.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution the Northeast Georgia Mountains Travel
29 Association.